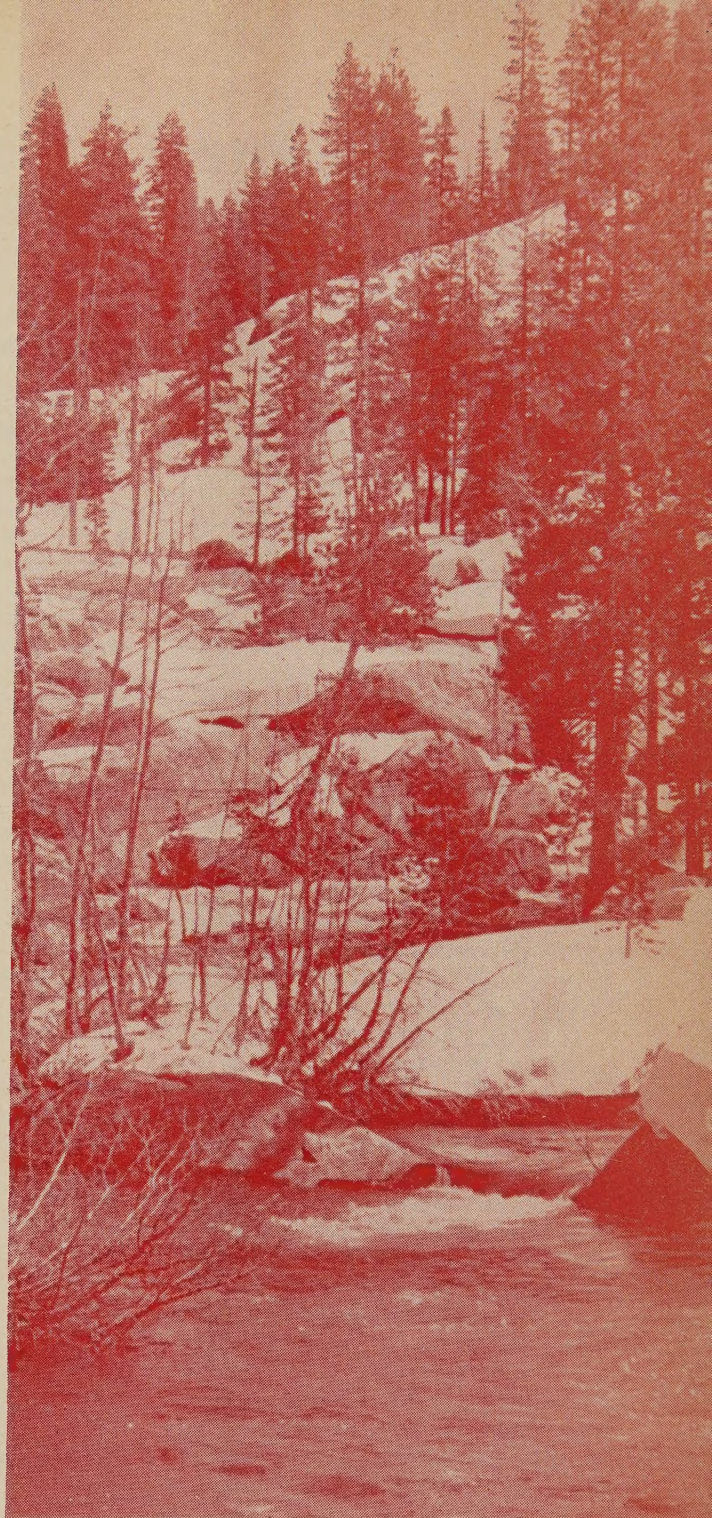


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A slope on Donner Summit

—Miles Stud

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A Good Old Year

By this time you will have heard much about the New Year, its possibilities and its challenge, its grave potentialities and its promises of good things. In welcoming the new, we may mistreat the memory of the old; in anticipation of the future, we may fail in our appreciation of the past.



The year that has just passed has been a good one. The war many feared did not arrive—except in spots on the globe. The depression some looked for did not materialize. There were disappointments, but who found that the way committed unto the Lord was a loss? There were heartaches, but who found, when he turned to the Healer of broken hearts, that there was no balm in Gilead? There were problems and perplexities, but who found that the grace of God was unavailing or insufficient?

The Lord has been good to us in 1948. Speaking of Pentecostal realms as a whole, 1948 brought the first World Pentecostal Conference. In our own country, 1948 saw the forming of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America. Both of these are undertaken in the interest of strengthening the Pentecostal testimony and sharing the Pentecostal blessing with the world.

In our own movement, the good old year brought many things to make us grateful. There is a great new publishing house under construction. There is a large missions plane scheduled to make trips to distant parts of the world to carry missionaries and missionary cargoes quickly and with ease to their points of service. Our Bible schools are full of eager students, and there is a general growth in our constituency, growth in assemblies already established and the beginnings of new assemblies in many communities.

In our own District, not one month has gone by without the dedication of at least one new church building, and sometimes there have been several. Many of them are a real credit to the movement and to the communities in which they are located. Revival fires have burned brightly in many of our churches, resulting in winning many souls to our blessed Lord and to the infilling of many believers. Testimonies of remarkable healings have come from many places, and the blessings to the people in the assemblies have been a joy and strength to all who serve Him. In the local churches

there has been a general growth in Sunday school attendance and the installation of more and better equipment to help in teaching the Word of God.

Individually we have proved again that it is good to be a Christian, to serve the Lord. Our failures we sincerely regret, and we humbly ask divine guidance that the lessons learned may be profitable unto better service for Him and a blessing to those with whom we come in contact. When we have been without blessing, we have found it to be because we have been without faith and without obedience to His known will. When we have prayed believingly we have had an answer, probably not according to our dictates—perhaps God has not run the answer into the mold of our meager comprehension—but He has given the answer of His sustaining grace and assurance of His love and care. And many times we have beheld with thanksgiving and praise the evidence of the moving of the unseen hand of our Lord in direct answer to prayer.

When we have moved in His service, unselfish in our reckoning, He has given in return good measure pressed down and running over. When we have stopped to worship—to still the wheels of activity to engage in praise and adoration, in prayerful reflection on the wonders of His grace, in meditation on the greatness of His love to us—we have had a blessing within our souls, a richness and satisfaction that all the gold of earth cannot buy and all the efforts of men cannot create.

His gifts to us, His grace, His blessings in the old year, bring us into the new with confidence in Him in whose hand are kept the secrets of the future and the order of the world. —M. M.

A Prayer For the New Year

Lord, I would ask for a year of prayer;
Teach me to talk with Thee;
Breathe in my heart Thy Spirit's breath;
Pray Thou Thy prayer in me.

Lord, I would ask for the dying world;
Stretch forth Thy mighty hand;
Scatter Thy Word; Thy power display
This year in every land.

Lord, I would ask for a year of joy,
Thy peace, Thy joy divine,
Springing undimmed through all the
days,

Whether of shade or shine.

Lord, I would ask for a year of hope,
Looking for Thee to come,
And hastening on that year of years
That brings us Christ and Home.

—A. B. Simpson

New Year's Resolutions

(On a Church Bulletin)

Thou shalt not come to service late,
Nor for the amen refuse to wait,

Thy noisy tongue thou shalt restrain
When speaks the organ its refrain.

But when the hymns are sounded out,
Thou shalt lift up thy voice and shout.

The end most seat thou shalt leave free,
For more to share the pew with thee.

The offering plate thou shalt not fear,
But give thine utmost with cheer.

Thou shalt the minister give heed,
Nor blame him when thou'rt disagreed.

Unto thy neighbor thou shalt bend,
And, if a stranger, make a friend.

Thou shalt in every way be kind,
Compassionate, of tender mind.

And so by all thy spirit's grace,
Thou shalt show God within this place.

—J. H. Holmes

There's a Vast Difference

Between being sorry for sin and being
sorry you are caught.

Between confessing your sins and confessing
some other fellow's.

Between seeing your own faults and
seeing some other person's.

Between conversion of the head, and
conversion of the heart.

Between being led by the Holy Spirit
and led by your own imagination.

Between being persecuted for "righteousness sake,"
and being persecuted for foolishness sake.

Between "contending for the faith" and
striving for your own opinion.

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I AM fully aware that before this paper shall have reached your hands, preachers and others will have taken turns at calling attention to great and sundry facts and principles upon which you should carefully reflect at this season. Perhaps you will be gracious enough to give ear to a late comer with a few scattered reflections that relate to the realm of religion and God. This I firmly believe is the place where the thought-life, or rather the thoughtless life, of individuals and nations is most confused and bewildered. The times and seasons call loudly for serious and profound meditation. Indeed there is grave danger that some who have heard the truth may never find their way through the din and clatter of conflicting voices.

We are rather prone to think of our day as the only one that requires the wayfarer to be careful and selective in ferreting out the true life pattern. But consider for a moment the clarion call of the monitor of a long-forgotten period: "Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls."

In one of the published sermons of Dr. Clovis Chappell, there is a cryptic sentence about polished purveyors of negation and contradiction: "They have taken away the children's bread, and in its place they offer a hunk of cloud banks buttered with the north wind." Emerson, the great American poet and essayist, once uttered this petition: "Nerve us with incessant affirmations." What are some of the great affirmations with which we may enrich our lives and fortify our souls in this year of 1949?

Prudence would dictate that we open our hearts to those precepts given by inspiration of God. The Bible begins with the affirmation that God created the universe. Again and again through this blessed Book this basic truth is affirmed and implied. This is God's world. To reject the light that shines here opens the way to darkness and confusion everywhere. The Genesis revelation is part and parcel of the solid foundation of revealed religion, and I would say, furthermore, that this is the only approach to the origin of things that can really satisfy a discriminating intellect. In this Book of God the wonder of creation is followed by a long continued true story of God's love for a world of sentient beings rendered unlovely by sin. This romantic story moves steadily and progressively on to perfect and plenteous redemption at infinite cost and on to the amazing, majestic, eternal consummation, to the everlasting praise of His glory and grace.

Here, then, in one volume is light upon the personality of God, all we need to know about the "origin of species," the source and consequences of sin, the way

Reflections

By W. T. Gaston

to holiness of life and joyful fellowship with the Infinite, and on to ultimate heirship with Christ, world without end.

Encircled by the everlasting arms, indwelt by the ever-blessed Spirit, and panoplied about with exceeding great and gracious promises, God's believing pilgrims are likened to a house that is built to withstand all the storms that may beat upon it. No wonder the great Apostle waxed eloquent as he challenged all comers in those immortal lines to the church at Rome: "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? . . . In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

In a world order that is characterized by uncertainty and insecurity, when men's hearts are "failing them for fear for looking after the things that are coming on the earth," men may still be sure of God, sure of themselves and of their future. To find this rock of safety, this haven of rest, this consciousness of spiritual and eternal security is the deep-down need of this restless age. Just as the climbing plant sends forth its tendrils in search of a support, the soul must reach out and up to God if it is to find a fixed center and an anchor "that is both sure and steadfast."

In reference to the New Year, my most ardent wish toward my fellow believers is that together we may find in our all-sufficient Saviour that full assurance of hope and courage of faith that will carry us unscathed through any test that may perchance lie just around the corner. May we covenant together to walk humbly before God, to be helpful and understanding as we journey with our fellows in the common brotherhood, and to contribute our full share in everything that promises to advance the kingdom of God.

And now a word to my fellow ministers in the gospel of Christ. Our message was born in the fires of a great revival. It is positive and powerful. May it ever be our purpose to guard its great essentials and to bring it to the people in proper balance and with appropriate humility and spiritual grace.

No doubt some of you have gone through deep waters during the year that

is past. Your labors may seem of little or no avail. May you find at this season that spiritual impetus and vitality that shall spell victory and fruitfulness all through the coming year.

No doubt we could all profit by forgetting some things that are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before. Would to God we could inspire each other to "forget" better and to "reach" further. If we could go into a huddle and face our collective failures with intelligence and realism, no doubt we would emerge with a fixed purpose to give ourselves more to prayer and to the more definitely spiritual aspects of our work.

Now while we linger for a concluding word, could we not resolve together that by the grace of God we will be more spiritual and dynamic, more devoted to our people, more subdued with the magnitude of our task, and more conscious that our sufficiency is of God.

God's Best

If you want the very best
That God has planned for you,
Then take His Word and study,
Praying as you do.
He has a plan for every life;
Seek it in earnest prayer,
And find the pattern all laid out
For you to follow there.
Let the Holy Spirit guide you,
Follow where He leads,
Seek His will in everything
And He will meet your needs,
He will give you grace and power
To lead others unto Him;
And though strife is all around you,
You'll have His peace within.

—Selected

A noted orator asked Dickens for the most pathetic story in literature, and he said it was that of the Prodigal Son. Mr. Coleridge was asked for the richest passage in literature, and he said it was the first sixteen verses of the fifth chapter of Matthew. Another asked Daniel Webster for the greatest legal digest, and he replied that it was the Sermon on the Mount.

No one has equaled David for poetry, nor Isaiah for vision, nor Jesus for His moral and ethical teachings, nor Peter for the holy zeal, nor Apollos for fiery oratory, nor Paul for logic, nor John for descriptions of the sanctified love.

How ridiculous it is to say the study of the Bible "marks a step backward in education!" God's Word is the very greatest of all books, and its Author the very greatest of all teachers. We do well to stay close to its sacred pages.

Nothing is so infectious as example.—
Kingsley

The Voice of the Father

by J. Narver Gortner

Nearly thirty years ago — how time flies!—when I was pastoring the Pentecostal Church in Cleveland, Ohio, there fell one day into my hands a copy of a periodical that, as I afterwards concluded, was well named, *A Voice in the Wilderness*. At that particular time there was considerable controversy as to whether or not Jesus was His own Father, and a number of ministers and laymen, not having thought the matter through, or having prayed it through, had come to the conclusion that He was.

About that time a man and his wife came to my study in the church, assuring me that the Lord had sent them, and that they had come to hold, at His behest, some meetings in the church of which I was pastor. I have always been glad to welcome the Lord's messengers, but I learned a long time ago that all who profess to be His messengers are not necessarily messengers of God because they profess to be, and so I entered into conversation with them, and in a very few minutes discovered to my satisfaction that they had not come at the behest of the Lord at all; so I politely told them they could hold no meetings in my church, for the reason that I believed, and the congregation I was serving believed, in the orthodox doctrine of the Trinity, and that we were fully convinced that the error concerning the Godhead that they were advocating was serious error and very likely to lead to serious consequences. The man's wife, as the two turned away, remarked, "You will see the light some day." The implication was that I was then in darkness. What became of that couple I know not. I hope that they afterwards saw the light, for they were certainly in darkness at the time. "If the light that is in you be darkness, how great is that darkness!"

The editor of the publication referred to was a believer in the so-called New Issue. Somebody had written him a letter, asking the question, "Were not three Persons in the Godhead in evidence when Jesus was baptized by John; namely, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit?" The editor had answered the question thus: "No, only one Person was in evidence, the Lord Jesus. The other two supposed persons were a voice and a dove." I had very recently severed my connection with the Methodist Church and become identified with the Pentecostal saints, and the answer of this editor of a Pentecostal periodical quite amazed me. I was sufficiently acquainted with the account of the baptism of our Lord to know that he had gone far astray and that it was apparent that he, like many others, was a blind leader of the blind.

What the evangelists tell us concern-

ing the baptism of Jesus, if we had no other corroborating evidence in the whole Bible, would be sufficient to convince us, unless indeed we are disposed to question the authenticity of the accounts, or to call into question the doctrine of the deity of the Lord Jesus, that there are three Persons in the Godhead; or, in other words, that there is a good foundation upon which to build the orthodox doctrine of the Trinity.

So important did the evangelists regard the subject of our Lord's baptism that no one of them passed over it in silence; each of them, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, has furnished us with a more or less complete record, and these four records are in complete harmony, each casting some light on the others, but no one of them contradicting in any particular the other three. Matthew has furnished us with the most complete account. Here is what he wrote: "Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbade Him, saying, I have need to be baptized of Thee, and comest Thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness." Mark the fact that He said, "Thus it becometh *us*." To whom did He refer when He used the plural pronoun *us*? Did He refer to Himself and John? So some may think. I believe He referred to Himself, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, the same "*Us*" referred to in Genesis 1:26; 3:22; 11:7; in Isaiah 6:8, and other passages that might be cited. But this conclusion may not be accepted by some. So we pass it by, and continue with Matthew's account of our Lord's baptism. "Then He suffered Him. And Jesus, when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him: and a voice from heaven, saying, This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

It is astonishing how much detail has been crowded into this brief narrative. Concerning the Holy Spirit, three of the evangelists, Matthew, Mark, and John say that He was seen descending "like a dove," and Luke tells us that "the Holy Ghost descended in bodily shape like a dove." It will be observed that the words "like a dove," are used by each of the four evangelists, and that the words "bodily shape," made use of by Luke simply emphasize, or, make more clear, the language of the others.

The account of the baptism that has been furnished by John is a part of the testimony of John the Baptist concerning Jesus. It is as follows: "And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit de-

scending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon Him. And I knew Him not; but He that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, the same is He which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. And I saw and bare record that this is the Son of God." John, it will be seen, said nothing about the voice that was heard saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased," but he furnished us with an additional detail. It was God who had sent him to baptize with water, or, *in* water, as the literal rendering is (see the margin in the R. V. and the text in the A. R. V.), and He who had sent him had said unto him, "Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, the same is He which baptizeth with, or, *in* the Holy Ghost." The descent of the Holy Spirit, and His abiding upon the One upon whom He was to descend and abide, was to be the evidence that John was to accept as final that He it was who would baptize believers in the Holy Spirit. John, when Jesus came to him to be baptized, had a feeling that amounted to a conviction, that He it was who was the appointed Baptizer in the Spirit, and that was why he hesitated to baptize Him in water, saying, "I have need to be baptized of Thee, and comest Thou to me?" But, while he had this conviction, and it must have been a very deeply seated conviction, he did not have the evidence that God had told him he was to have; that evidence was afforded when the Spirit descended in bodily shape and abode upon Jesus. Is it not true that many among us who have been baptized in the Holy Spirit were quite conscious of the fact that they had been baptized before they began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance? They were sure they had been filled, but they did not have the evidence until the Spirit spoke for Himself from the innermost depths of their being. Then what they had was more than a conviction; what they had was knowledge; the Spirit had taken up His abiding place within, and henceforth their lives were to be under His control.

We need not at this time go into discussion as to the identity of Him who sent John to baptize in water. Nobody, I think, can read the account as to how John's birth was foretold, and of how he was born, and of his ministry, and have any doubt whatsoever that it was God who appointed him and from whom he got his instructions as to what he was to preach, and what he was to do. He had been prophesied of centuries before, and He who orders all things after the counsel of His own will, planned his birth, and gave him his call, and educated him for his God-given mission. It was He, then, who told John how to recognize the Baptizer in the Holy Ghost. And let us

A New Year

by R. J. Thurmond

Years have to do with time. They come and they soon pass by, but eternity is endless. It is nice to have *new* things, for the new fascinates. Each morning a *new* day dawns. The months pass and the year is gone; then comes the *new* one. It seems we always hope that the *new* will be better, and we endeavor to do all we can to make it so.

In all the confusion and unrest of the natural life, so many fail to realize that it is not things that are so essential, always to have something new, but that the needed thing is the *new* life—Christ living within—that makes all things *new*. Seeing things in the light of eternity, we come to realize the need of putting on the *new* man and living, moving, and having our being in Him. This is the most essential. The years come and go, but He abideth ever. He changeth not; "He is the same yesterday, and today, and forever."

We change over into 1949 as far as reckoned time is concerned, but eternity is changeless. God is! He lives! Because He lives we live also. He lives within our hearts, and those who dwell in the light and glory of the Lord cease to count time by years. His is an enduring and ever-increasing life of wonderment. Amazing heights and depths are revealed unto us by His Spirit that abides within. "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him. But God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit." The natural man knoweth not the things of God, but the Spirit searcheth the deep things of God and gives the revelation.

Let the years roll on. In the little speck of eternity, God has placed time and man, but He still lives on. The centuries roll around—and God still is.

Let the new year be one of reckless abandonment — throwing caution and traditions to the wind, if need be, and learning to rest on the bosom of eternity. God calls for a fuller, richer, nobler life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. Scan the earth, sea, and sky, which have stood the tests of time, and enter into God. "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth His handywork." It is beyond comprehension that God should take note of man so

not overlook the fact that He who gave the instructions to John could not possibly have been Jesus of Nazareth. Who, then, was He? Undoubtedly the Father who guided and instructed John through the Holy Spirit by whom John was filled from the day of his birth. See Luke 1:15. (This article to be continued in next issue.)

shortlived, so weak, living in the realm of ignorance and superstition, content to browse around in the earthly and fleshly, content to sin. But God, Who is rich in mercy and love wherewith He loved us, reached down and with infinite grace has revealed Himself and has lifted us to the state of sonship. He purchased salvation for us—not just salvation from hell, but from time (fear of death), from self, from the ceaseless strivings after the vain allurements of this present world. He it is that hath made all things new.

The new year can be for a richer unfoldment of God and the kingdom life, or it can be just another year of the usual disappointments, heartaches, misunderstandings, and struggles. Which shall it be? The secret is found in a broken heart and a contrite spirit; in tarrying, waiting, seeking; laying all on the altar; holding no reserve; yielding the will; submerged in God; walking in the light as He is in the light. Though the days, weeks, months, and years roll around, they but bring what is called time; we shall live on and on in the unlimited unfolding of God. And finally, as Enoch of old, we

shall walk out of time into the presence of the Eternal One and into the endless ages.

There will be *new* heavens and a *new* earth. Our years then will be but as a tale that is told. I am glad we are partakers of it now through Jesus Christ, Who has said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

We welcome 1949. Let it be lived in the unfolding of the Christ-life and in the power of the Infinite Spirit of the eternal ages as God grants unto us the breath of man.

Several of our comrades have left this world of time during the past year. Others will leave in 1949. But one day, time shall be no more. We which are alive and remain shall be caught up with those who have gone before and shall be with our blessed Lord. O glorious hope! The endless ages of eternity will ring with praises to Him for His so great salvation and the hope of this life to come.

God bless and prosper you in every good work, working in you to will and to do of His good pleasure in this new year.

A GOOD WORD FOR WEEDS

At first sight it seems a thankless task to try to say a good word for weeds. "Would that every weed might be banished from the land," is the cry of the despairing gardener as he tries to cultivate some cherished nook and finds his sovereignty disputed. Do what he will, these pushful little people will assert themselves, not only in niche and crevice but under the shadow of some regal bloom. No ruthless massacre of them seems to appall. Is there no good word to be spoken for this vagrant class?

The winter is here with its cheerful glow of firelight and of warmth. To whom are we indebted for this comfort? To the weeds of bygone ages. In the centuries of the past, before this globe was peopled, when it was still in the shroud of eternal silence, giant weeds lived and had their day, great sun collectors in their lives, mighty sun prisoners even in decay. And thus our coal was born, and on our hearths the sunbeams of ages gone dance merrily in their freedom—because of weeds.

But surely these unpopular visitants have another claim upon our gratitude. We are proud today of the progress we have made in flower culture, but do we ever stop to think of the antecedents of our pet blooms? It is somewhat of a shock to recall the fact that our garden aristocrats are the rich relations of the despised weeds of the same plot—that

they are nothing but a weed improved upon.

Should someone ask, "Is there no difference between a weed and a wild flower?" we answer that there is no difference save that if we find a wild flower in a garden we call it "a wretched weed," but if it is found on some mossy bank we go into raptures over its simplicity. "It would be amusing," said F. A. Bardswell, "to introduce the wildlings to their descendants; the chickweeds of the wayside to the pinks, the ragged robins of the hedgerow to the carnations and sweet Williams, and the potentillas to the strawberry runners. A weed is nothing but a wild flower out of place. The French call weeds *les mauvaises herbes*—the naughty plants. They have splendidly caught the true idea of what a weed really is—a mischievous growth.

Herein lies food for thought. As workers in the garden of the Lord, are not our hearts depressed by the growth and vitality of weeds? How many churches and chapels are retarded because of the presence of men with curious twists of temperament, subtle idiosyncracies and foibles which make for weakness; and many times we may feel that expulsion is the only cure. But this would not only be a confession of dire impotence, but a denial of faith in what we preach. The gospel of Jesus is not the gospel of eradica-

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Current Signs

ITEMS OF INTEREST BY ALBERT J. LEBECK

10,000 Prison Population Predicted

Richard A. McGee, State director of corrections, predicted recently that the population of California's prisons will pass the 10,000 mark shortly. He reported at the governor's monthly council meeting there were 9,953 inmates on November 19 compared to 5,400 in 1944 when the prison system was reorganized.

The director predicted 11,200 prisoners in 1950, 13,000 in 1955 and 15,000 in 1960, but explained this would not be out of line, considering the rapid growth of population. The number of prisoners per capita, he said, is below the national average.

Overcrowding Is Cited

Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, State director of mental hygiene, announced institutions and hospitals throughout California have 35,824 patients, about 4,000 more than normal capacity. Karl Holton, director of the California Youth Authority, said the correctional schools have 2,228 inmates.

Huge Six-Engine Plane Is Delivered to U. S. Air Force

Eighth Air Force officials have inspected the world's most powerful propeller-driven plane, the B36B, a 21,000 horsepower bomber driven by six pusher type engines. Spokesmen declared the plane's horsepower gives it superior takeoff performance, rate of climb, and service ceiling. The authorities revealed each engine generates 3,500 horsepower, 500 more than the first production B36 model, known as the B36A. The B36 can carry a 10,000 pound bomb load 10,000 miles.

Einstein and the Atomic Bomb

Albert Einstein, as chairman of the emergency committee of atomic scientists, Princeton, N. J. says:

"These few facts are accepted by all atomic scientists:

1. Atomic bombs can now be made cheaply and in large number. They will become more destructive.

2. There is no military defense against atomic bombs, and none is to be expected.

3. Other nations can rediscover our secret processes by themselves.

4. Preparedness against atomic war is futile and, if attempted, will ruin the structure of our social order.

5. If war breaks out, atomic bombs will be used, and they will surely destroy our civilization.

6. There is no solution to this problem except international control of atomic energy and the elimination of war."

Billions For Trivia

Americans poured \$154,000,000 into slot machines last year, over and above any payoff won. Theatre goers paid out \$4,000,000 to ticket brokers. Sports addicts paid \$88,000,000 to see college football games and \$24,000,000 for hunting dogs.—*Wall Street Journal*

Combat Plans For Germ War Are Hush-Hush

The Civil Defense Office has prepared preliminary plans for combatting a germ warfare attack on the American population. But because of the high secrecy placed on the whole subject of bacteriological warfare by the military, the Office of Civil Defense Planning is unable to disclose the plans to either the public which is directly concerned, or local governments which will direct civil defense.

Indeed, a report of Civil Defense Planning, made public yesterday, does not even mention the name of bacteriological warfare. It refers obscurely to "other special weapons," which would cover such warfare.

The germ warfare defense program apparently was drafted on the basis of recommendations by experts on three phases of germ warfare—attacks on humans, on cattle, on crops.

The U. S. Navy in the Event of War

The U. S. Navy in the event of war must meet and overcome the new threat of giant, long-range, rocket-firing submarines, capable of unlimited underwater cruising. With captured German plans and scientists, the Russians have built about 300 such U-boats. Navy also must devise a way to transport its air power into Russia's comparatively secluded waters. That is back of plans for a 60,000-ton aircraft carrier.

Gold Stock Near \$24,000,000,000

The government's mounting gold pile appeared on the verge of topping the \$24,000,000,000 mark after rising about \$1,700,000,000 the last 12 months.

The most recent report, showed \$23,996,169,474.59.

Never before has any nation ever had so much gold. The United States hoard represents more than three fifths of the world's known supply.

The Russians are believed to have the second biggest store, yet their holdings are estimated at only one tenth those of the United States.

Babson Predicts

Roger Babson, the 73-year-old former Prohibition Party presidential candidate, said in an interview: "War surely will

come unless the nations can develop a world government with authority to regulate such things as tariffs and immigration."

Babson said he is preparing for war because he does not think such an international organization can be created until the world's businessmen "stop worrying about profits, the working men about wages, and the politicians about votes. . . . In other words," he said, "A spiritual awakening is the only solution to the problem."

Convinced that nearby Boston would be a primary target in World War III, Babson is preparing atomic bomb havens in remote Eureka, Kansas, and New Boston, N. H. He said he is not pessimistic about war. He figures it is coming but does not think it will end civilization or even stop the economic developments of the United States. "Even if they explode atomic bombs in the 12 biggest cities and kill 15,000,000 people—that still leaves us with more than 140,000,000 people and our important resources," he said.

Missile Expert Predicts Two Hour Globe Circling

Charles F. Green, a consulting engineer, says man-made missiles capable of circling the globe in two hours and space ships which would make the moon a next-door neighbor of the earth are possibilities of the future. "Our more immediate concern, however," he said, "is the solution of many problems in ballistics and aerodynamics."

Pointing out that today's rocket research may result in discoveries which will have a tremendous effect on industry and peacetime application of power, Green named the following developments which may be expected as a result of the experiments: New and greater energy fuels and propellants; more powerful motors, capable of speeds greater than 3,600 miles per hour; new heat-resistant materials; more accurate guiding and navigational equipment; and rocket detention radar of improved design.

Navy's Cutlass Supersonic Fighter

The navy thinks it has the fastest fighter in the world. Its XF7UI Cutlass may be the first combat plane to fly faster than sound. Secrecy wraps were pulled aside on the odd, *tailless interceptor*, shaped like an arrow head with sweptback wings and twin jet engines.

A woman in India stood by a heathen temple that was in process of construction. A missionary asked her the cost of the building. She looked at her questioner in surprise and answered: "We don't know. It is for our god. We don't count the cost."

Some people don't know what they want and won't rest until they get it.

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COMMITTEES APPOINTED TO SERVE AT THE DISTRICT COUNCIL IN RICHMOND

(The first named will serve as chairman)

Resolutions Committee

E. Elsworth Krogstad
M. P. Bohnet
H. D. Byram
R. Carrington
J. L. Gerhart
Orville Painter
C. G. Weston

Program Committee

N. E. Hinman
Gaylord Atwell
P. W. Clapper
Charles L. Elmes
H. T. Langley

Roster Committee

A. J. Lebeck
S. A. Ogle
A. H. Persing
Paul E. Radley
E. G. Skultety

(The Standing Committees are shown on
page four of the 1948 Minute Book.)

Second Pentecostal World Conference

Having just recovered from serious injuries suffered as a result of an automobile accident in West Virginia, Brother duPlessis, Secretary of the Pentecostal International office in Basel, Switzerland, finds it impossible to return to Europe before April 1949. He is, however, carrying on his duties in making arrangements for the Pentecostal World Conference to be held in Paris, May 21 to 29, 1949. All correspondence connected with the business of the conference and the registration of delegates should therefore be directed to: Rev. David J. duPlessis, Edgewood Grove, Somerset, Pennsylvania.

All correspondence regarding hotel reservations and accommodation must be directed as early as possible to Pasteur Rene Fauvel, 26 Avenue Aubert, Vincennes, Seine, France.

European Relief and Evangelism

The office in Basel continues its operations and for information about relief and evangelism, correspondence should be addressed to the International Pentecostal Churches, P. O. Box 303, Basel I, Switzerland.

Begin now to prepare and pray for this great Pentecostal World Conference.

Insurance Increase

A surprise and welcome Christmas gift was the 30 per cent increase in Metropolitan Life Insurance coverage effective as of December 1, 1948. Be sure to attach the rider for \$300 that we mailed you on December 10 to your policy. *This must be done.* This now makes the policies worth \$1300 at the same premium of 60 cents a month. If you have a policy and did not receive this rider, please notify us immediately.

—R. J. T.

Warning

Pastor Paul E. Radley warns the fellowship that a man by the name of Lopez, sometimes known by the name of Vincente, is representing himself as treasurer of the Los Banos church, and, using Brother Radley's name or the name of the church, asks for assistance in cashing a check. This man is not now nor ever has been in any way connected with the Los Banos church and is unknown to the people of the church. He has victimized one of our pastors and has been active in the Southern California area.

Prayer is the key to all celestial treasures; by it we penetrate into the midst of all the joy, strength, goodness and glory of God.

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Good manners are made up of petty sacrifices.—Emerson

SCHEDULE OF FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

Jan. 1 - Oroville, Reno

3 - Oakland (Bethany)
Stockton, Trinidad

10 - Willits

24 - Patterson

Feb. 7 - Blue Lake, Oakland
(Temple), Quincy

14 - Happy Camp, Kelseyville

28 - Friant, Red Bluff

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

(From Sept. 15 to Dec. 31, 1948)

Transferred INTO the District:

H. L. Bayless (Ordained) from Texas
Gordon S. Blay (Ordained) from Oregon
Truman W. Carlton (Ordained) from
Southern California

W. D. Clonts (Licensed) from Oklahoma

M. A. Curtis (Ordained) from West Texas

M. J. Curtis (Licensed) from West Texas

P. R. Ford (Ordained) from South Dakota

O. W. Keyes (Ordained) from Texas

Elizabeth Keyes (Mrs. O. W.) (Ordained) from Texas

Morris Lefkovitz (Ordained) from Illinois

Pauline Lefkovitz (Mrs. M.) from Illinois

E. A. Pack (Ordained) from New Mexico

Rhoda Pack (Mrs. E. A.) (Licensed) from New Mexico

D. Edward Park (Ordained) from West Central

Muriel A. Park (Mrs. D. E.) (Licensed) from West Central

George W. Payne (Ordained) from Indiana

Oda Payne (Mrs. G. W.) (Ordained) from Indiana

Richard S. W. Ruff (Ordained) from Southern California

Leona Seat (Licensed) from Northwest District

Roy B. White (Exhorter) from Oklahoma

Roy Whitt (Ordained) from Southern California

Re-instated to General Council and District Membership:

C. G. Roberts, Sacramento

Watson T. Moore, San Francisco

Transferred OUT of the District:

Robert S. Bubb (Licensed) to New Mexico

Elmina A. Bubb (Mrs. R. S.) (Licensed) to New Mexico

Herbert A. Hampton, Jr. (Licensed) to Rocky Mountain District

Serena M. Hodges (Ordained) to South Florida

D. R. Merrill (Licensed) to Texas

Joseph E. Overstreet (Exhorter) to Rocky Mountain District

W. C. Robinson (Ordained) to Montana

Withdrew:

Errett G. Barber (Licensed)

Howard L. Dakan (Licensed)



Above: Richard C. Fulmer, the new president of the District C. A.'s, elected for two years.

New Year Greetings

by Dick Fulmer

We grasp this opportunity to hail the many C. A.'s throughout our District with a Happy New Year! This old phrase, "Happy New Year," when spoken to young people should bear more than just a sentiment. There must be some meaning in it for them. Happiness for a whole year is not as easily acquired as it may sound when spoken glibly or as an age-worn greeting. Happiness, even for a moment, is rather evasive. Often when one thinks he has it, then he is suddenly without it. Thousands have planned for it, toiled long and hard for it, and many have made great sacrifice to obtain it, only to find it further from their grasp than at the beginning.

There is an answer to this important quest. There is a golden key to happiness for your today and tomorrow. The recipe is simple and time-proven. It is all in the way we mix our style and motive of life. If the Lord Jesus Christ is the center of it, there is joy unspeakable and full of glory. In other words, if we conduct ourselves in a pleasing manner to Christ and then purpose to manifest Him unselfishly to others, there is a reward of abiding joy.

This happiness is unusual in that it is not only real in the moments of gaiety and laughter, but it is right there when you have to gaze through eye-windows that are filled with tears. The crowd goes on its way with a synthetic cover-up grin but you have an everlasting peace. In poverty or in plenty it never changes because it is the Spirit of a risen, living, and energetic Lord.

To manifest Christ is to be our best in a zealous, fired-up, Spirit-filled experience. Today, tomorrow — until Jesus comes.

Christ For All - - -

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In 1949

by Keith Hill

"I hereby resolve not to . . ." And thus, another New Year's resolution is pronounced by a young person of worthwhile intentions. The close of one year and the beginning of another always makes one do a bit of introspection and of looking at the past year and wondering what the coming year *could* hold.

Matthew 12:36 states that "every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account in the day of judgment." Of our own volition, our New Year's resolutions sometimes fall into the category of "idle words." All are prone to make statements under the duress of the moment—whereas if we would pray properly about the situation, perhaps our statements would have a different tinge.

The new year has begun. Great achievements can be ahead of us! Behind us, we Christ's Ambassadors have many achievements — great Speed-the-Light offerings, enlarged groups, more fervent young people, and many other worthwhile points. But this *new* year, what can it hold for us?

It can be the year when some will grow from spiritual pigmies to spiritual giants. It can be the year when our groups stress youth evangelism and worship as never before. It can be the year when more are

continually "filled with the spirit" than ever before. This year, may we seek God's guidance in these all-important spiritual aspects, for we know that if we put these "first things first," all else will follow in the proper sequence, as Matthew 6:33 says.

We, the Northern California-Nevada Christ's Ambassadors should strive to make 1949 the best year ever! Monetarily? Yes, but more so along the spiritual line. Let us pray that this year will be our best. With God's help, accomplishments can be made that will make even the colorful and eventful past, seem but a shadow of the wonderful things He has in store for us! Above all, as we make our usual resolutions, let us keep in mind and fervently pray that Isaiah 63:4 will transpire this year ". . . the year of My redeemed is come."

From now on all C. A. offerings and moneys should be sent to the new Secretary-Treasurer, Keith J. Hill, 2848 Second Avenue, Sacramento.

Acquitted!

A British soldier one night was caught creeping stealthily back to his quarters from the nearby woods. He was taken before his commanding officer and charged with holding communications with the enemy. The man pleaded that he had gone into the woods to pray by himself . . . That was his only defense.

"Have you been in the habit of spending hours in private prayer?" the officer growled.

"Yes, sir."

"Then down on your knees and pray now!" he roared. "You never needed to do so much."

Expecting immediate death, the soldier knelt and poured out his soul in prayer that for eloquence could have been inspired only by the power of the Holy Spirit.

"You may go," said the officer simply when he had finished. "I believe your story. If you hadn't drilled often, you couldn't have done so well at review."

—Arthur Mercer



Keith Hill, above, is the new District C. A. secretary-treasurer. He is the assistant pastor of Bethel Temple, Sacramento.

Hunt for the good points in the other fellow; he has to do the same with you.

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--- All For Christ

Famous Forty-Nine

by Wesley P. Steelberg
New District Vice-President

Greetings Christ's Ambassadors! We have been asked to write a few lines to you as we take office this first month of

1949. We count it a privilege to be of service to you, and we trust that as the year progresses we shall see our C.A.'s all over the District taking great forward strides for God.

You know, I was just thinking that the words "forty-nine" hold special significance for us

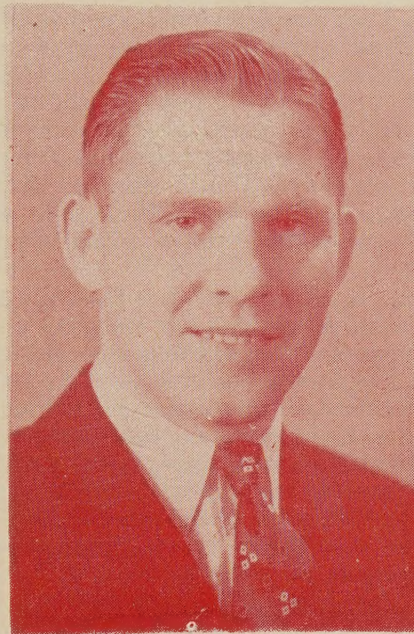
Californians. It was in 1849 that the great gold rush started. The year "forty-nine" has ever since lived in the memories of Americans as the year when something of great value was discovered. It was a discovery that changed the lives of thousands of people and caused them to migrate in great hordes to obtain a little of that precious sparkling substance called gold.

Then the thought bore fruit of a spiritual nature. I reflected—wouldn't it be wonderful if the year 1949 could become equally famous as the year when thousands discovered something which the Word of God describes as "more precious than gold?"

Here's what I'm getting at. We are all aware of the fact that the coming of our Lord to catch us up to meet Him is imminent. It's just around the corner, so to speak; it could be today! Now with this in mind if all the C. A.'s (you and I, and everyone in your group, and those throughout the District) would determine that we'd live every day as though Jesus were to appear tomorrow, you know what I mean—reading the Word, praying fervently, witnessing at every opportunity! I am convinced that "forty-nine," of the 1900 variety, would become a famous date again.

It could be remembered as the year when came the greatest revival of youth—and adults, too, for that matter—that ever hit this Northern California and Nevada District. We've got the whole year before us to work in. The means to accomplish it is simple. Here it is once more: live every day as though Jesus were coming tomorrow!

No man stumbles while on his knees.



Above: Thomas Custock, the retiring District C. A. President will be in evangelistic work for a while and later resume pastoral duties.

Custock's Comments

Thanks!—This being the last of my monthly comments, I would like to take this opportunity to thank every C. A. officer for your splendid co-operation in putting the district C.A. program over. Without your genuine interest in the cause of youth and your consecrated effort to help youth, this could never be accomplished. The Lord has seen fit this past year to bless our conventions, youth camps, rallies, the Speed the Light project, and local meetings in a glorious way for which we praise Him.

As I review the past two years, it brings delightful memories of the Lord's numerous blessings upon our ministry among the young people. Our hearts were thrilled as many found Christ as their personal Saviour, many others were filled with the Holy Spirit, and a host of C. A.'s made, we trust, lasting consecrations.

New C. A. Officers—It's this month your new District C. A. Officers Richard Fulmer, president; Wesley Steelberg, vice-president; and Keith Hill, secretary-treasurer, take office. They deserve your very best co-operation. Let us support the district C. A. program wholeheartedly with our prayers, loyalty, and finances.

This coming year can, under God and your C. A. leaders, be the greatest year yet for Christ and youth. I'm sure all of



The following groups sent in offerings for the support of the District C. A. office in October and November.

Alameda	North Sacramento
Atwater	Oroville
Boyes Springs	Petaluma
Burlingame	Quincy
Berkeley	Richmond
Concord	Redwood City
Chico	Roseville
Cupertino	Riverbank
Campbell	Salida
Corning	San Jose (Calvary)
Chowchilla	Sebastopol
Escalon	San Francisco
Eureka	St. Helena
Fortuna	So. San Francisco
Healdsburg	Stockton (Calvary)
Hiway City	Tracy
Kerman	Turlock
Lodi	Ukiah
Los Banos	Walnut Creek
Lincoln	Weed
Madera	Winters
Merced	Woodland
Modesto (Bethel)	Yreka

us share together strong inward convictions that the Lord's coming is very near. In the light of this soon-coming momentous advent, let us pull together and be found faithful when He comes.

Speed The Light—Up to December 1, with only one month to go, the Northern California and Nevada C. A.'s were leading the nation in Speed-the-Light giving with over \$15,000 already in! This is almost twice as much as last year when this district led the States with \$8,600. However, a word of caution must be inserted here for Texas is out to win, having raised \$12,000 up to date, and a good deal more will come in as the Missionaires have just completed a tour through the Lone Star State on behalf of Speed-the-Light. So the final remaining days of '48 should prove to be a very close and exciting nip-and-tuck race. All of us will be awaiting the outcome. The final results will be given in next month's *Glad Tidings*. Northern California and Texas combined giving constitutes one fifth of the total giving! Let us keep up this good work, knowing we cannot do too much to help rescue the perishing.

Farewell—May this coming year bring real joy and happiness to each and everyone of you. Above all may your soul prosper in the Lord. In these trying days may you enjoy the best of everything as you serve our victorious and coming King. God bless you, Christ's Ambassadors, is our sincere prayer.

Thomas J. Custock

SUNDAY SCHOOL

L. W. SUTER, District Sunday School Representative
1009 Fifth Street, Vallejo Phone 2-0521

Teacher, Know Your Pupils

We are faced with the greatest responsibility that has ever faced anyone in this hour of uncertainty. Child delinquency is on the increase, crime is on the rampage, nations are crumbling overnight and we are wondering what will happen next. We are trusting that it will be the coming of the Lord, but while we are waiting we have a tremendous responsibility placed upon our shoulders, that of meeting the spiritual needs of every soul that sits under our ministry.

We need to make use of every opportunity that we have of imparting the Word of life. Since we only give our pupils an average of 17 hours of religious instruction each year, we need to be thoroughly prepared to make the best possible use of those 17 hours.

When Is a Teacher Prepared?

A teacher is not prepared to teach until he knows the members of that class. It is not sufficient to study the class or pupils in general, although that is necessary, but the great need is to know the individual pupil whom he is to teach. We find that when a teacher knows the individual pupil, he is able to understand all the pupils better.

A Specific Study of Pupils

Traits Is Necessary

There is a definite need of knowing the nature and needs of every pupil in their particular stage of development. If you are teaching juniors, then you need to make a specific study of juniors in order to find out what their traits are. If we better understand what the capacities and attainments, interests and normal experiences, attitudes and modes of thought, problems and difficulties of the junior boy or girl, we will then be in a much better position to be able to help them.

Must Study Their Mentality

In spite of the fact that this is a heart religion we still have to teach the pupils through the mind. The Scripture says, "Come, let us reason together," "Be ye transformed by the renewing of your minds," etc. It is with the mind that we realize our need of salvation and a closer walk with the Master. The mentality of each pupil is different from the other pupils. Some of them can grasp a truth quickly while others need a little more explanation. We must be considerate of the individual so that *each one* gets the truth.

Must Study Their Social Life

We can and must help our pupils by becoming acquainted with their social

life. Their social life has a great bearing on their spiritual life. Some have tried to make them spiritual by forbidding them any social life but the make-up of the human race demands social activities of some kind and our pupils are going to have their social life in one way or another. The thing for us to do is to provide the proper type of social life for them.

We need to know what kind of companions our pupils have, for some companions leave a good influence and others a bad influence. We need to know what they do for recreation and what their hobbies are. Many times the teacher has been able to drive home a spiritual truth by knowing what hobby a certain pupil may have and using something about that hobby as an illustration in the lesson.

Must Know Their Spiritual Life

You can't properly know what their spiritual life is by just watching them in the classroom. Even the adults put on their best front when they come to church. We need to study them outside the Sunday school, in their home, at play or work. By so doing we begin to realize where they need help in their spiritual lives and thus we will be able to help them.

Must Recognize Individual Differences

A principal once said that if he had a class of fifty scholars he would try to be fifty different teachers as he turned from one to another of those scholars to instruct them.

Some pupils are tender and loving, while others have a cool, calculating disposition. One pupil likes to delve into the depths of abstruse thought; while others delight in stories or illustrations that require little or no thinking on their part. One lives on his feelings, while another reasons out everything. One lives in constant communion with God, while another is harassed by doubts and fears.

Each one has his own individuality, and the teacher must understand his ways of reacting before he can hope to be of any service to him.

Must Know the Language of the Pupil

Many times we take for granted, since we are acquainted with such phrases or terms as "knowing the Lord," "being saved," or the "coming of the Lord," that our pupils are acquainted with those terms also. Some of those pupils have just come into the school and have never heard those phrases or terms before and

consequently do not know what they mean.

Then sometimes we are so well acquainted with a field or subject and the words in it that we are likely to assume that others are too.

Sometimes folk are like the man who was surprised to learn that "Dan and Beersheba were mere places" because he thought "that they were husband and wife like Sodom and Gomorrah."

Representative's Travelogue

GALT—

The first part of November we drove down to Galt to be with Pastor Vernon Ragsdale and his good folk in a service. We enjoyed ministering to the folks there in regards to Sunday school work.

LOS GATOS—

We were in Los Gatos for a week of conference work. Brother and Sister Harold Persing are doing a good work there. The conference was blessed of the Lord. A number of the folk went out on Saturday afternoon to take a religious census of a section of the city of Los Gatos and quite a number of prospects for the Sunday school and church were found. The folk there are anxious to press the battle just a little harder for the Lord.

SANTA ROSA—

Another week was spent with the Santa Rosa church and their good pastor, Lawrence Anderson. The Lord moved in our hearts as we talked together about winning souls to Him. Santa Rosa is a growing city with lots of opportunity to do something for the Lord. With the fine plant that they have there and the energetic leadership that they have, we are looking for something to take place in the Santa Rosa church.

VACAVILLE—

We enjoyed ministering to the folk in Vacaville where Brother J. Kirk Soper, Jr., is pastoring. The presence of the Lord was felt as we worshiped Him. The Vacaville Sunday school is on the move with a goodly increase in their number.

MERCED—

Three nights were spent with Brother T. E. Woods and his folk in Merced. The Lord accomplished something in those three nights that we had been unable to accomplish in two subdistrict Sunday school conventions that have been held there in the last two years. The Sunday school is beginning to move along again as Brother Woods is able to take over his duties again after his long illness.

NEWARK—

Another Sunday we spent with the church in Newark, where our hearts were thrilled as we met together. The Sunday school in Newark has been running in the 90's and they have good prospects of doing a lot better than that, as they are in the process of building a new church building. When it is done they will have

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Missions

VENEZUELA

The Dowdys

(Brother Lowell E. Dowdy, though now stationed in Barquisimeto, Venezuela, goes out to outlying regions with the gospel. Here is an account of one trip.)

The native workers and I arrived at the isolated coffee-exporting pueblo of Aguada Grande, which at one time lived up to its name "Great Reservoirs." The heavily charged mineral waters have diminished until the watering holes are few. In one home the water they gave us to drink was real muddy. But the manifold blessings of God so far outshine these minor inconveniences that, while interesting, they are hardly worth mentioning.

Our intention in the series of meetings was to be a blessing. How true is the Scripture: "He that saturates shall himself be saturated" (Prov. 11:25, Spanish translation). Sunday morning, after walking an hour and a half, we arrived at an open rain-water pool, where Castillo Mora, the native pastor, baptized nine believers. The object of the afternoon meeting was to help the church to catch the vision to support its pastor. That night again it "touched me" to preach. I spoke on the theme, "The Lord is at hand." The gasoline-powered loudspeaker heralded this message from mountain to mountain. At midnight the hammocks were hung in the church, but there was no time for sleep, as everyone was praying.

Antonio Silva had come 11 hours on foot from his home in the mountain fastness to be blessed of God. He pled with us to come over and help him. So on Monday some followed him across the mountains by mule, and the rest of us, with the loudspeaker equipment and light baggage, went around through the burning desert of Carora up the ravines. Even with our mountain guide, three times Brother Cruz's Jeep and our Speed-the-Light Chevie lost their way because the would-be road we had to follow was only a dry creek bed. At 11 o'clock that night we arrived at our destination.

The priest of this region travels on a circuit. September 4 is the day of Saint of Curari. There are weddings, confessions, baptism, confirmations—all is saved for this great week. Antonio, his wife, his sister, and her husband had accepted Jesus. Satan was furious and inspired the priest to tell the people that as they had allowed the evangelicos to enter the town and preach the gospel, he would not visit them and give them their fiesta until the evangelicos were driven out. We were ignorant of this threat. You can imagine our reception! All afternoon we drove the Jeep through the brush country singing and preaching the gospel. In one place, when we were returning down

the trail, we passed a dwelling whose owner was raising a large white cross to ward off the evil spirits of the gospel messengers. A tree trunk was placed across the path and a gang of men were hidden nearby with rocks in their hands to attack us when we got out to remove the tree. Instead of alighting, we drove the Jeep through the brush around the tree.

That night our meeting was held in front of Samuel's grocery store. After the service, the cars were safely secured for the night, and as we were returning to Samuel's to eat before retiring to our hut at the edge of the village, the rowdies began to shoot rockets at us. All passed close and one exploded at my side, but not a hair of our heads was harmed. The Lord put it in my heart to talk personally to about 20 men congregated in the street. The leader told me the town did not want the gospel, for we had robbed them of their fiesta.

While there were no new additions to God's family in Curari, there were 16 who confessed salvation in those five days of meetings in the hills. Eternity alone will reveal the results of the visit.

CENTRAL AMERICA The Lindvalls

(Brother and Sister Arthur Lindvall have just spent their first Christmas and New Year season in Santa Ana, El Salvador, where they have been stationed since going to the mission field. The following was written in early December.)

"Winter is gone and summer is here again. With it comes the dust in place of the mud. The roads have become somewhat more passable, making it possible to visit more of the churches which have been isolated because of the condition of the roads.

Coffee-picking season is now in full swing and will last until February. The people go out in the mountains to pick coffee and are there for a week at a time, sleeping in the open with no shelter or

in little brush huts about four feet high. What pity we have felt for the children as we have stopped at the coffee plantations and have seen them unkempt, many of them naked, the small children caring for the tiny babies, and left to fend almost entirely for themselves. What a contrast to the sheltered lives of our children in the States! But then we are encouraged as we see the Christian boys and girls coming to Sunday school to learn more of Jesus and His love. How eagerly they repeat their memory verses and with what fervor they sing the choruses and songs!

Calls keep coming in from many different sections of the country asking for workers. One letter came recently from a group of 19 Christians, four of whom have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, asking us to send them a pastor to teach them more of the Word of God. There are at least half a dozen other places right now asking for pastors.

Last week we had the commencement exercises in the Bible school for the 12 graduates in this year's class. Most of the pastors in the country had responded to the call for a "Deeper Life Conference" and were present the last week of the school term that they together with the students might counsel together and pray with one accord for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in each of our 58 churches and 175 Campos Blancos, or preaching places.

ALASKA Agnes Rodli - Mildred James

(Up in the northern part of Alaska, Sisters Agnes Rodli and Mildred James have gone to carry the gospel message. Their first work was to get a school started for the Indians who live in their village. They are in Nicolai, a village thirty miles still farther north than McGrath, their mailing address. Both of them have written of their activities in the far north.)

We open each day's classes with prayer and we teach the children to sing gospel choruses. Last Friday afternoon we gave them a flannelgraph story, "The Prodigal Son." Almost all of the village adults were present. So we were thankful for the opportunity of giving them some of the gospel. The children speak no English and the parents very little, so it is necessary to teach them our language before we can preach to them.

We have had the privilege of praying for the sick and testifying to many of the natives. The people are Russian Orthodox. They are very religious, yet know nothing about salvation. Through ministering to the sick we have had the opportunity to tell one of the heads of the Russian Church of Jesus Who died for us. For years he has conducted services in Russian, a language he does not understand but has memorized the chants—and the story was new to him. His eyes

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The Lindvall family in Santa Ana, Nicaragua.

ALTURAS—A crowd that filled the main auditorium to overflowing attended the Shasta fellowship meeting held there November 15. Brother Albert Rowley of Weed spoke at the afternoon service. The evening speaker, Pastor Prinzing, came from Klamath Falls, Oregon. The pastor in Alturas is W. M. Austin.

ATWATER—Brother Otto Schmidt, who has been pastor in Martinez for several years, has been chosen to be the new pastor, succeeding Richard Fulmer, who the first of the year took up his duties as District C. A. president.

BENICIA—After serving several years as pastor and enjoying the good blessings of the Lord upon his ministry there, Brother J. G. Garland has resigned as of January 9 to enter evangelistic ministry again.

BOONVILLE—The Lake-Mendocino fellowship meeting was held in Boonville with Pastor B. C. Finfrock on December 13. In spite of stormy weather, a good crowd gathered for fellowship and spiritual blessing. Sister Olive Alford spoke at the afternoon service. Pastor A. G. Benning of Willits brought the evening message.

BURLINGAME—Pastor Richard Ruff of San Jose was the speaker in the afternoon and Pastor R. J. Renfro of Palo Alto was the evening speaker at the Peninsula fellowship meeting held there December 13. Brother Albert Pickthorn is the pastor in Burlingame.

CHESTER—The work is growing and attendance in the Sunday school is increasing. Pastor Don North reports having a good fellowship meeting of the Nevada district in Chester on December 6.

CHICO—Pastor E. Wm. Anderson reports: "We recently closed a five weeks' revival and healing campaign with the Jack Coe evangelistic party. The crowds were the largest ever witnessed by this assembly, and the presence of the Lord was felt night after night in the meetings. It was necessary to have some of the Sunday services in the Veteran's Memorial Hall to accommodate the crowds. About 100 came forward for salvation, about 45 were baptized in the Spirit, and many testified to wonderful healings. Also as a result of the campaign, an electric organ was purchased. The Gardner evangelistic party commences a campaign with us January 2. Ray Harper has been chosen to be assistant pastor, taking the place of Bob Ferguson, who is entering evangelistic work. Bob and Ruth will be working with her parents, the Stanley MacPhersons.

CLEAR CREEK — The Cottage Grove church has been re-opened. Brother M. J. Curtis, who comes to us from West Texas is the pastor and is doing a good job of getting services and Sunday school under way again.

DENAIR—Brother Lester D. Peterson is starting a new work in Denair, a community near Turlock.

FAIRFIELD — Evangelist Walter H. Smith held a good campaign with Pastor Carl R. Tucker early in December.

News from . . .

Here and There

Albert J. Lebeck, Field Reporter :-: 2622 W Street :-: Sacramento, Calif.

FRIANT—Pastor Edward E. Bodenhofer writes that the assembly enjoyed the Lord's blessings in the revival meetings. Evangelist and Mrs. John Higgins held with him in December.

GALT—Pastor Vernon Ragsdale has resigned, expecting to have his farewell service about the middle of January.

GRIDLEY — Pastor Joseph Harper of Corning and Pastor Doherty of Redding were the afternoon and evening speakers respectively at the Sacramento Valley fellowship meeting held there November 29. Pastor Charles L. Elmes reports the occasion as a day of much blessing.

HAPPY CAMP—"Our Sunday school is averaging about 25 and our services about 30. Things are going very well and we are anticipating much more." — Walter and Katherine Boring, pastors.

HOOPA—Brother Jack Colas is now the pastor, succeeding Brother C. F. Rowe.

HOLLISTER — Pastor Marion Minogue reported in early December: "We have just closed a fine meeting with Brother Ed Byram. The saints were edified and there were several saved and filled with the Holy Spirit."

LAKEPORT—From Pastor S. S. Webster comes the following: "Evangelist and Mrs. M. P. Bohnet have just closed a two-weeks revival with us. The meetings were well attended; several were refilled, others were refreshed and revived."

LODI—Brother Mark Hinman has resigned and will close his ministry there as pastor February 20. He reports having a very good revival campaign in November with E. G. Eskelin as evangelist.

MANTECA—Brother E. A. Pack is the new pastor. Brother and Sister Pack have been transferred to us from the New Mexico District.

MARTINEZ—Pastor Otto Schmidt has resigned to accept the call to the church in Atwater.

MODESTO (Gospel Tabernacle) — Pastor R. Tackett reports having a good revival in the South Modesto Acres church with Evangelist Ballis.

MONTAGUE—The Shasta district fellowship meeting was a day of blessing and fellowship for all those who attended it December 13 in Montague. The afternoon message was brought by Brother Walter Boring of Happy Camp. Brother Klingsheim of Ashland, Oregon, was the evening speaker. Sisters Doris Abbott and Rosemary Murphy were the host pastors.

MORGAN HILL—Pastor Thomas Simms of Soledad and Evangelist Bobbie Clark were the speakers at the Coast Counties fellowship meeting held there November 22. Pastor Elmer Stump reports it as a day

of fine fellowship and of spiritual refreshing.

OAKLAND (Revival Tabernacle)—Evangelist G. B. McDowell conducted another good revival campaign with Pastor C. J. Lowry in December.

OAKLAND (Temple)—The auditorium of the newly acquired church at 3600 Penman Avenue was used for the first time December 19. Since the church had moved to the new location, the auditorium in the young people's building was used for all services while the main auditorium was undergoing remodeling and redecorating. The pastor is Winston B. Nelson.

PORTOLA—Pastors Julia Peterson and Ruth Bertenshaw report having a good two weeks' revival meeting with Evangelist Mae Ninemire in early December.

RICHMOND—Pastor C. E. Persing reports that there were many at the altar for salvation during the revival meetings with the Humbard Family of Arkansas from November 23 to December 13. Hundreds of people came to the church for the first time. The beautiful new temple was formally dedicated at the East Bay fellowship held there December 6. The speakers for the afternoon and evening services were Brother Gaston and Evangelist Christian Hild. The new building will be the meeting place for the District Council session.

RIVERBANK — The revival campaign Evangelist Stanley MacPherson held for Pastor Douglas Cooksey continued on into December and was the means of further blessing to the church in the salvation of a good number and the blessing of many. The MacPhersons and daughter and son-in-law, Ruth and Bob Ferguson, are leaving for Jamaica early in the year to hold evangelistic meetings.

ROSEVILLE — Evangelist Harry A. Stemme of Chicago began a campaign for Pastor R. A. Wilson in the beautiful new church, which was dedicated December 13 on the occasion of the meeting there of the Capitol fellowship meeting. The old building will be used as a Sunday school building. It is to undergo remodeling to adapt it for the special use of Christian education.

SONORA—Brother Herbert A. Hampton has been chosen to return as pastor. He preceded Brother C. S. Holderman, who has recently resigned, and for a time was in the ministry in Wyoming.

ST. HELENA—Pastor S. H. Robertson reports that several were saved; some were filled with the Spirit, and there was good local interest during the revival meetings. Evangelist R. E. Jeffery held there in November. There were a number of testimonies of healing in answer to prayer during the meetings.

STIRLING CITY — Brother Gordon S.

Blay, who has been transferred to us from Oregon, is the new pastor.

VALLEJO (Full Gospel)—In early December Pastor Joseph Gerhart wrote: "We have just closed two weeks deeper life campaign with Brother and Sister M. P. Bohnet. Twenty received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, most of them teen-agers and young people. Several were saved, and nine were baptized in water the closing night of the meetings, which were a great blessing to all."

VALLEJO (Chabot)—Brother Roy Whitt is the new pastor, successor to Brother Charles Pepper. Plans are under way to move the church to a new and permanent location.

WATSONVILLE (Pajaro) — Evangelist Bobbie Clark held good meetings with Pastor Charles Coffey in November.

WINTERS—Pastor E. E. Zimmerman reports that a number of folk were healed during the campaign Evangelist Richard Jeffery held with him from November 28 to December 7. There was good interest also in the meetings Evangelist Gladys Hansen conducted there for a week.

In Auto Accident

By this time most of our readers will have heard of the accident that took the life of Sister Cornell and critically injured Brother F. C. Cornell, the main speaker at our camp meeting last summer. The head-on collision occurred on the morning of December 6 near Alamo as Brother and Sister Cornell were on their way home to Oklahoma for the holiday season. Having closed a revival campaign in Sunnysvale the night before, they had left the home of Pastor and Mrs. Ogle but a few hours before. Having suffered chest injuries, several ribs being broken, and both legs being broken, one very badly at the knee, Brother Cornell, it is expected, will be quite some time in recovering sufficiently to carry on the work of his calling. After spending two weeks in a hospital in Madera, he was moved to Stockton to the home of Brother and Sister Earl F. Davis, friends of long standing.

Brother Cornell has the sympathy and well wishes of all of us, and he may be assured of our sincere prayer in his behalf in this time of trial and sorrow.

It takes a mighty good rule to work even one way.

PERSONAL MENTION

Evangelist T. B. DON CARLOS has recently returned to the States from Canada, where he spent four months in very successful revival meetings. At the present time he is in Georgia. He will be preaching in Georgia and Florida the next five months.

Evangelist FLORENCE BOUCHER, accompanied by Brother Boucher, has been holding meetings in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and recently held a campaign for Brother Sherman Cox in Springfield.

Evangelist M. E. EDMUNSON has been in campaigns in Oregon in recent weeks.

ROBERT and ELMINA BUBB have accepted the pastorate of the assembly in Lordsburg, New Mexico, so they are being transferred to that District.

Sister ALTA FENTON is recovering from injuries caused by an accident in which her car was struck in downtown San Francisco shortly before Thanksgiving. We trust she will soon be fully restored to health and strength.

New Arrivals

There is another daughter in the home of Pastor and Mrs. W. M. Austin of Alturas. Janice Kay joined the family circle November 17.

Stephen Dennis, their third son, joined the parsonage family in Gridley. His happy parents are Brother and Sister Charles L. Elmes.

There has come a change in a missionary home in South America. Jonathan Lowell was welcomed by his parents, Brother and Sister Lowell Dowdy, and his two big sisters in Barquisimeto, Venezuela, on December 4.

FOR SALE—Used electric organ. In very good condition. Would consider terms. James R. Adkins, 6276 Missions Street, Daly City, Calif.

Overcoming Daily

Resist sloth, laziness, sleeping too long, indulging the flesh. Throw off indifference, coldness, formality, praying just enough to ease the conscience, but not enough to win any decided victory.

Confess your faults—any unkindnesses, harshness, critical remarks, lax conversation, giddiness, extravagance, gluttony, shades of untruth, worldliness, carnal pride, vain ambition, unholy thoughts, slackness.

Overcome all tendency of doubt, fear; all infection of the unbelief and defiance of God all around us. Keep faith fresh, love ardent.

The only difference between stumbling blocks and stepping stones is in the way you use them.

WEEDS—

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tion so much as the gospel of incorporation. The very traits in adverse characters which now cause stagnation, if trained in the true direction are just the factors which make for success. It was the impetuosity of Peter which, after consecration, was transformed into "boldness." In short, we preach a Power which takes hold of a man as he is and cultivates all his latent possibilities until they become actualities, and the weed becomes a worthier growth.

What about the weeds in our own patch? Do what we will they are always cropping up—angry tempers, fierce desires, unworthy aspirations. We call them the relics of the lower nature, and we despise ourselves that we feel its call and obey its promptings. We have plenty of the lower still in us, but it may be the platform to higher things. The weed may be trained into the flower.

—G. Bramwell Evans

Once a missionary asked a young convert, "How many souls have you won for Jesus?"

"Oh," said the young convert, "I am only a learner, and never possessed a complete New Testament until yesterday."

The missionary said: "You use candles in your home?"

"Yes," was the reply.

"Do you expect the candle to begin to shine when it is burned halfway down?"

"No, as soon as it lit."

The young man saw the point and went to work shining for Jesus. In a few months several of his neighbours and friends had received the light into their minds and hearts.

FANATICISM: fanaticism consists in redoubling your effort when you have forgotten your aim.

ATHEISM: "Only in Atheism does the spring rise higher than the source, the effect exist without the cause, life comes from a stone, blood from a turnip, a silk purse from a sow's ear, a Beethoven Symphony or at Bach Fugue from a kitten's walk across the keys."

—James M. Gillis

We cannot hope to be mowers,
And gather the golden years,
Unless we have first been sowers
And watered the furrows with tears.

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How glorious it is—and also how painful—to be an exception.—*de Musset*

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Another question that plagued Pop: "Daddy, how long did it take you to get so good that you didn't have to go to church?"



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MISSIONS—

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were shining and eagerly he would say "Yes, yes," now and then to let us know he understood.

The past month our temperature has been low in interior Alaska, an average of from 40 to 58 degrees below zero, making sled travel dangerous. The missionaries from McGrath were unable to make it over the trail. Hearing of a plane coming this way, they took that means to come to see us. How excited we were! We had seen no one but our natives since coming here the middle of September. We really appreciated being able to talk English freely with someone else—and Christians too. They could only be here about fifteen minutes, as it was too cold to leave the plane stand longer than that. That quarter hour meant much to us.

BRAZIL

The Johnsons

(Brother and Sister Bernhard Johnson are busy in Varginha and several other cities and towns where they carry on a very active missionary program.)

These past few months have gone by so fast. We have been busy as bees since we returned here March 9.

We have had the joy of opening up several new places to the gospel, places where the people have never heard that Jesus came to save sinners. One business man from the town of Pouca Maca came here two weeks ago and begged us to go with him to three villages where the people never have heard the gospel. We wish you could be with us and see their faces beaming after they have heard the message of salvation.

We had a glorious time here in Var-

ginha at the dedication of our new church and Sunday school annex. We had lots of work in housing more than a hundred and feeding them every day, yet it was the most glorious time. Best of all, the revival is still going on. The church is full every meeting night. We do not have enough seating space.

The believers have the Pentecostal fire burning within. They walk for miles with us to the outstations for meetings, carrying their small children. Sometimes the children are sick, yet they do not stay home, but are out in the Lord's service. How we do praise the Lord for all these precious souls that have been washed in the blood of the Lamb.

INDIA

The Dillinghams

(Brother and Sister Ovid A. Dillingham are now at the James Harvey Memorial School.)

At last we have arrived at Nawabganj Gonda at our Assemblies of God boys' school. The children are still in the hills in boarding school, but they will come down to the plains in time for Christmas and have two months and a half holiday.

On our arrival we were so weary after a long trip—and so black from the cinders. But when we saw the crowd at the station we forgot all that, and the tears began to gather instead, for you would have thought the king and queen were coming. The boys were all lined up, 300 strong, dressed in their "best." The boy scout troop lined up, stood at attention, crossed their staffs, and made an arch for us to walk under, and garlands were placed around our necks. Like the schools at home, they have a yell, so they gave it in greeting, and they sang for us.

We all walked together from the sta-

tion to the mission compound, where after cleaning up, we were given our official welcome in the school. We arrived at the station at four o'clock. At nine-thirty we sat down to the dinner table. We had been welcomed for nearly five hours and were well aware of the fact both mentally and physically.

It is a great task to have sufficient food for these many mouths every day. This week the supply has been low; so we have gathered in the church each evening to ask God to supply our needs. I wish you could hear the boys pray and sing. We are feeding an average of 125 people each day. It takes 56 pounds of rice, 56 pounds of wheat, and 14 pounds of dal (like green split peas), besides the vegetables needed for daily rations. Every evening we make 560 pieces of their kind of bread, which looks like a pancake and is the size of a small dinner plate except that it is thinner. We only get half as much in quantity as we did last year for our money; so, consequently, it takes twice as much money as it did this time last year. Do help us pray that our needs will be supplied.

FIJI ISLANDS

The Heetebrys

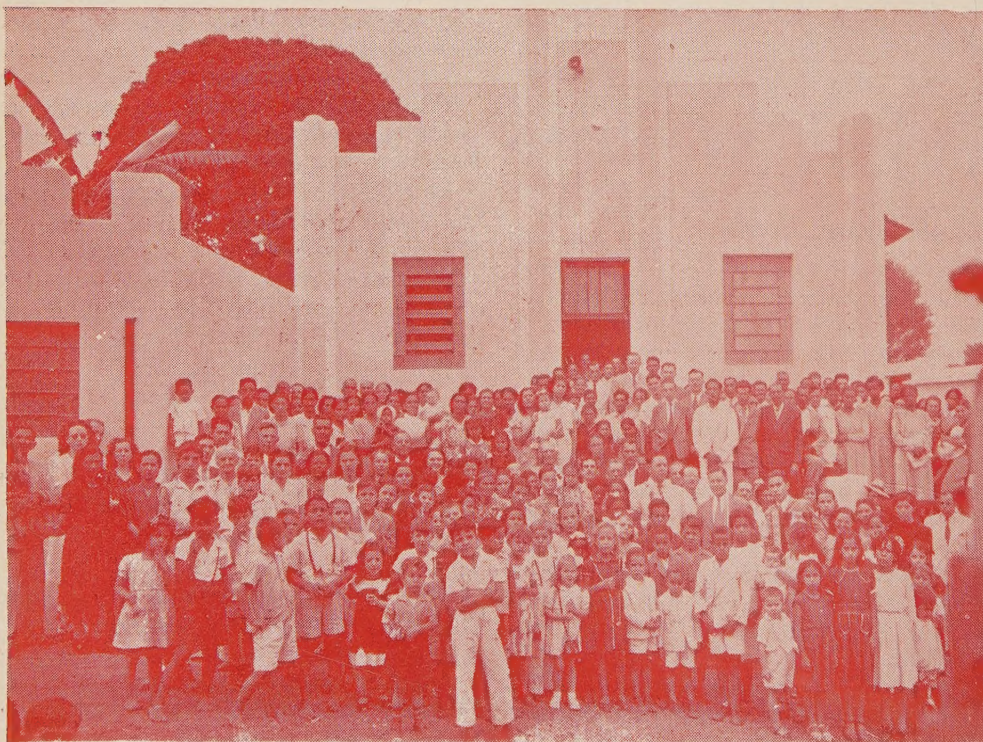
(Brother and Sister A. M. Heetebry are laboring in the capital city, Suva. They have recently welcomed a young couple from Australia who will be associated with them in their work.)

A year ago today we landed back in Fiji from our furlough home. A few weeks ago we re-opened another Sunday school which we had discontinued during the war. This makes the eighth branch Sunday school we have opened since our return. Workers are in charge of all these branches. Our full-time workers are developing and making good, and all are kept busy.

The re-inforcing iron for the building is not yet available, but we expect to get some from England in December. We cannot afford a builder, so we will have to do the work ourselves. A friend who attends our Sunday night services has offered to draw the plans for us. This will save us a couple of hundred dollars. In the meantime the excavating continues for the building.

It may be some of our friends would be pleased to help us share the financial burden for, as well as pray for, the care of a family of seven small children. The father has died and the mother is in the T. B. hospital. We feel we should do something to care for these children. Some years ago we cared for three orphans who lost both parents within six weeks. We believe now again the Lord will bless and provide in this matter of practical Christianity.

The soul and body make a man; but the spirit and discipline make a Christian.—John Wesley



The new church built by the Johnsons in Varginha, Brazil

The Opening Year

The opening year is new—
But old and tried Thy mercies, Lord,
And sure each precept of Thy Word—
Established firm and true.

Sweet confidence we know
While resting on Thy covenant grace,
Into each circumstance and place
How trustfully we go!

Already marked our way
By Thine own hand of loving care;
We can walk safely anywhere,
Alike by night or day.

We raise our hymn of praise
For blessings old, for blessings new,
For all Thou shalt delight to do
Throughout these opening days.
—Alice Reynolds Flower

God Answers Prayer

Judson, the missionary, when dying heard from the lips of his wife as she read from the newspaper that some Jews in Turkey had been converted through the published account of his suffering for the Gospel in Burma. Mrs. Judson relates that an unearthly solemnity came over the dying missionary's face, and he said, "This awes me. When I was a young man, I prayed for the Jews and tried to go to Jerusalem as a missionary because I read the words of the Lord about 'beginning in Jerusalem.'" But God sent me here to preach in Burma and to suffer tortures in Burmese prisons. Now, by this means God has brought Jews to repentance in Turkey. What awes me is this, that I never prayed earnestly for anything but it came sooner or later, perhaps in the last way I could have imagined, but it came. God answers every earnest prayer."

—Missionary Digest

Women's Missionary Council

From Germany interesting letters are still being received from those who received portions of the shipment of clothing and powdered milk that was sent through Church World Service by the Northern California and Nevada District. Pastor Ernest Henrich writes in part: "As pastor of the Christian Assembly in Bremen, formerly First Pentecostal Church, I herewith express my deepfelt gratitude for bales of clothing we received through Church World Service. I ask you to thank all the brethren who have made this generous gift possible. It is difficult for me to formulate words that would express the joy your gifts have brought to so many of the members of our congregation who are in dire need. Most all of the brethren have lost everything they possessed during the severe and horrible bombing raids. Even though we were not able to give as much as is needed to alleviate suffering, your garments and shoes have made many a mother's heart glad who did not know where the next garments to cover the bodies of her children would come from. I wish you could see the radiant faces of the recipients, you would somehow feel repaid, at least in measure, for all your work of love. Especially do we treasure your gifts, since we know that you do not expect any remuneration for that which you are doing. We ask the Lord Jesus to bless and prosper you according to His riches in glory. We bless you and all the dear brethren in His great and wonderful name." Brother Naef adds a postscript to his translation as follows: "Brother Henrich has been pastor of this church for 35-years. It is one of the most progressive and spiritually blossoming churches on the European continent. They have one of the largest young people's groups in Germany, most of them filled with the Holy Ghost and very much alive for God."

A recent church bulletin from Bethel Temple, Turlock, carried pictures of the W.M.C. at work and letters of appreciation for parcels of food and clothing sent to two pastors in Germany, the Latin American Orphanage, and the Oriental Relief Agency. God bless the good work of the W.M.C. at Bethel Temple.

The Napa W.M.C. held their annual Christmas party on December 9 at the home of Sister Belliew, where gifts were exchanged and the ladies enjoyed a time of social fellowship. After a short business meeting, the District director, guest speaker, gave some high lights on W.M.C. activities and of overseas relief.

An all-day district rally was held at the Kerman church on December 2 with the Morrison family as missionary guests. Brother and Sister Al Morrison and their three daughters are returning to the Hawaiian Islands to pastor a church there. Brother and Sister Earl Hunt are pastors

On The Air

- KSAN, 1450 kc, San Francisco (direct from church)
Glad Tidings Temple, Pastor L. R. Keys
Saturday 10:00 to 10:30 p.m. — "Temple Reveries"
Sunday 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. — "Today and God"
— An interpretation of current events in the light of Scripture.
7:30 to 8:00 p.m. — "Words of Life on the Wings of Melody"
- KWBR, 1310 kc, Richmond
Full Gospel Assembly, Pastor C. E. Persing
Sunday 4:30 to 5:00 p.m.
- KCRA, Sacramento, Bethel Temple, Pastor Nelson Hinman
9:30 a.m. — Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- KTRB, 860 kc, Modesto (direct from church)
Bethel Full Gospel Church, Pastor D. G. Weston
Saturday 9:00 a.m. Devotional Hour
Saturday and Sunday 10:00 to 10:30 p.m. Organ Concert
- KHSL, 1290 kc, Chico (direct from church)
Assembly of God Church, Pastor E. Wm. Anderson
Sunday 6:00 p.m. "The Gospel Broadcast Hour"
- KBLF, 1490 kc, Red Bluff
Bethel Temple, Pastor Everett Morgan
Thursday 7:45 p.m.; Saturday 7:45 a.m.
- KTRB, 860 kc, Modesto
Escalon Assembly of God, Pastor Wesley P. Steelberg
Tuesday 9:00 a.m., "Escalon Echoes"
- KVBA, 1600 kc, Yuba City
Live Oak Assembly of God, Pastor B. H. Givens
Sunday 1:00 p.m. Young People's C. A. Group
- KRUZ, 1460 kc, Santa Cruz
Assembly of God, Pastor R. P. Murray
Sunday 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. "Music With a Message"
- KYOS, 1490 kc, and KVME-FM, 97.5 meg, Merced
R. E. Henke, working with some of the Assembly of God churches in the San Joaquin Valley
Sunday 7:15 a.m. Spanish program
1:30 p.m. English program
- XVCV, 600 kc, Redding (direct from church)
Assembly of God, Pastor R. T. Doherty
Saturday 8:30 to 9:00 p.m. "Life and Light Broadcast"
- KIEM, 1480 kc, Eureka
Pentecostal Tabernacle, Pastor Clarence J. Larson
Sunday 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. "The Good News Program"

of the Kerman church, and Mrs. T. E. Woods is sectional chairman of the South San Joaquin district.

Daly City is the latest church to organize a W.M.C. With the help of the District director and Mrs. Essie Hallock, president of Glad Tidings Temple W.M.C., officers were elected. An enthusiastic group of women are planning to take a very active part in their own church and community as well as carry on a special home missions project and a foreign missionary project.

Through the facilities of Church World Service, a shipment of corned beef in small cans, amounting to \$1,046.49, is being sent to the United Pentecostal Relief Committee, Bremen, Germany, consigned to the Rev. Emil Humburg, chairman of the committee. As soon as shipping conditions will permit, more information will be forthcoming about this gift from Northern California and Nevada Assemblies of God.

There will be a Women's Missionary Council meeting at the District Council on Wednesday, January 26, at 1:30 p.m. in the Richmond church, where the Council will be in convention. Reports will be heard and W.M.C. activities will be discussed; so we trust that many groups will be represented there. God bless you for your wonderful co-operation during the year of 1948. Service brings joy, and "with joy we draw water out of the wells of salvation."

—Mrs. R. J. Thurmond, District Director

S. S. Travelogue

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a number of Sunday school rooms besides a spacious auditorium.

SALIDA—

Another week was spent with the Salida church and Pastor Dan Robinson. God especially met our hearts and thrilled our souls. It was a joy to minister to hungry hearts that were anxious to receive the message. The services were started at 7:00 p.m. so we could have more time to deal with the work of the Sunday school. A number of those good folk received a new vision of the possibilities that we have of winning souls in the work of the Sunday school. Their Sunday school has shown a substantial growth during the last year, and they are making plans to build a new building so that they will have room to take care of their pupils.

31st ANNUAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Northern California and Nevada District

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD January 26-27-28, 1949

Opening Rally - Tuesday evening - January 25

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL will convene Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. with a message and report by District Superintendent W. T. Gaston.

Business Sessions will be held daily at 10:00 a.m. and at 2.00 p.m., closing with an ordination service Friday afternoon.

Applicants for ordination and those applying for credentials should meet with the Credentials Committee Tuesday, January 25, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Women's Missionary Council Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday

Home and foreign missionaries; District and visiting ministers will be speaking in the devotional services before the business sessions during the daytime.



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